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CHAPTER 453

AN ACT to create 20.005 (2) (a) (line 878m), 20.850 (5), 41.14 and 200.17 (4m) of the statutes, relating to the establishment of a training program in fire prevention and protection, creating an advisory committee, affecting fire insurance dues of certain cities, villages and towns and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.005 (2) (a) (line 878m) of the statutes is created to read:

20.005 (2) (a)	1957-58	1958-59
878m. Fire schools 20.850 (5)	\$30,000	\$30,000

SECTION 2. 20.850 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

20.850 (5) FIRE SCHOOLS. On July 1, 1957, \$30,000 and on July 1, 1958, \$30,000 to supervise and conduct schools for instruction in fire protection and prevention, as authorized by s. 41.14.

SECTION 3. 41.14 of the statutes is created to read:

41.14 TRAINING PROGRAM FOR FIREMEN. (1) PURPOSE. In order to promote safety to life and property the state board of vocational

and adult education is authorized to establish and supervise a program of training in fire prevention and protection.

(2) ELIGIBILITY. The program shall be available to members of volunteer and paid fire departments maintained by both public and private agencies including industrial plants.

(3) ADVISORY COMMITTEE. To advise and guide the board in the establishment and maintenance of training programs in fire prevention and protection, there is created an advisory committee composed of 4 bona fide members of volunteer fire departments and 2 bona fide members of paid fire departments appointed by the governor on July 1, 1957, a representative of the state director of civil defense, a representative of the industrial commission selected by the commission and the commissioner of insurance or his designated representative. Of those first appointed by the governor, 2 shall be appointed for 6 years, 2 for 4 years and 2 for 2 years. Thereafter the appointments shall be for 6 years. Vacancies shall be filled as are original appointments. The committee shall meet semiannually and at such other times as the board may require to advise and guide the board in the establishment and maintenance of the training program. Members shall be paid their actual and necessary expenses while engaged in the performance of their duties.

SECTION 4. 200.17 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

200.17 (4m) The aggregate payment of fire department dues by the commissioner to cities, villages and towns, maintaining fire departments manned wholly or partly by volunteer firemen, shall be reduced by an amount equal to one-half of the amount appropriated annually for fire training programs under ss. 20.850 (5) and 41.14. The amount paid to each such city, village and town shall be reduced on a proportionate basis. Such amounts shall be retained in the general fund for the purposes of the appropriations made under s. 20.850 (5).

Approved July 25, 1957.
